

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A method for controlling a cursor in a computer comprising the following steps:

providing a cursor control apparatus for receiving a user input and providing signals indicative of the user input;

providing a piezo-electric tactile feedback apparatus coupled with the cursor control apparatus;

providing a driver circuit coupled to the piezo-electric tactile feedback apparatus;

providing a suppression circuit coupled to the driver circuit and the cursor control apparatus;

deactivating suppressing the operation of the cursor control apparatus in response to sensing an input signal, the suppression circuit generating a suppression signal that deactivates the cursor control apparatus;

starting the piezo-electric tactile feedback apparatus for a first period of time;

stopping the piezo-electric tactile feedback apparatus after the first period of time; and

stopping the suppression signal and allowing the operation of the cursor control apparatus.

2. (previously amended) The method for controlling a cursor in a computer of claim 1

and further comprising the following step:

activating the tactile feedback apparatus in response to predefined user inputs from the cursor control apparatus.

3. (original) The method for controlling a cursor in a computer of claim 2 and wherein the predefined user input is a selection indication.

4. (original) The method for controlling a cursor in a computer of claim 2 and wherein the predefined user input is placement of the cursor over an active area on a display device.

5. (canceled)

6. (currently amended) The method for controlling a cursor in a computer of claim 5 1 and wherein the piezo-electric tactile feedback apparatus ~~device~~ is activated by an ac signal.

7. (currently amended) A cursor control system comprising:

a cursor control apparatus for sensing user inputs and providing outputs corresponding to the user input;

a piezo-electric tactile feedback apparatus coupled to the cursor control apparatus for providing tactile feedback to the user in response to a predefined user input;

a driver circuit coupled to the piezo-electric tactile feedback apparatus ~~for powering the tactile feedback apparatus,~~ the driver circuit generating an ac signal for powering the piezo-electric tactile feedback apparatus, the ac signal being applied in response to an input signal;

a cursor suppression system coupled to the cursor control apparatus and the driver circuit, the cursor suppression system sensing the input signal and deactivating the for suppressing cursor control apparatus during operation of the piezo-electric tactile feedback apparatus operation such that the sensing of user inputs is prevented during the operation of the tactile feedback apparatus operation.

8-9. (canceled)

10. (original) The cursor control system of claim 9 and wherein the ac signal is 300-400 hz.

11. (original) The cursor control system of claim 7 and wherein the cursor suppression system filters out cursor inputs resulting from the tactile feedback operation.

12. (original) The cursor control system of claim 7 and wherein the cursor suppression system blocks cursor inputs during the tactile feedback operation.

13. (original) The cursor control system of claim 7 and wherein the cursor suppression system comprises an electronic circuit.

14. (original) The cursor control system of claim 7 and wherein the cursor suppression system comprises a set of machine readable instructions for performing the operation.

15. (original) The cursor control system of claim 7 and wherein the suppression system filters out spurious signals generated by the tactile feedback operation.

16-17. (canceled)